



## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

CAWSE et al..

Group Art Unit: 1631

Application No.: 09/595,005

Examiner: Channing S. Mahatan

Filed: June 16, 2000

For: HIGH THROUGHPUT SCREENING METHOD AND SYSTEM

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT AND RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT  
RESPONSEAssistant Commissioner for Patents  
Box No Fee Amendment  
Washington, D. C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to initial examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

## IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please rewrite page 15, lines 1 to 3 as follows:

B1  
Performance is expressed numerically as a catalyst turnover number or TON. TON is defined as the number of moles of aromatic carbonate produced per mole of Palladium catalyst charged. Duplicate experiments are averaged to give an average TON. The results are shown in TABLE 5.

## TABLE 5

## IN THE CLAIMS:

Please rewrite claims 1, 3, 6 to 10, 14 and 40 as follows:

1. A method, comprising steps of:

(A) forming a first population of mixture entities and detecting a catalytic

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